

WEST HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Parents:

Your son/daughter has indicated an interest in athletic participation. This letter contains information regarding physical examinations, equipment, insurance and additional athletic information for this coming year. The following responsibilities must be met before your athlete may participate:

Physical taken after June 1, 2008
Emergency Card
Substance Abuse Policy
Athlete's Code of Ethics

Insurance Certificate
Warning to Students & Parents
Transportation Fee

A packet containing all of the necessary forms may be downloaded from the west high website @ www.whs.tusd.org "ATHLETICS". The completed packet must be returned to the Business Office **prior to the first practice session.**

THIS PACKET IS NOT NEEDED FOR SUMMER ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

Physical Examinations - An annual physical examination certifying that the student is physically fit, to participate in athletics, is required by the C.I.F. (Rule 306). You are encouraged to use your health care provider for physical examinations

Insurance - California law (Education Code Section 31751-52) requires that every member of an athletic team be insured for \$1,500.00 medical benefits. The school does not carry accident insurance on students. If your family health and accident insurance does not cover your son/daughter for athletics, insurance application forms for this type of coverage will be made available at West High School. The school district offers the following insurance coverage: "Student Accident & Health Insurance".

The cost for this coverage will not be available until the middle of summer. Applications will be available in the West High School Athletics Office.

Please make checks payable to: **MYERS STEVENS**

Equipment - Equipment that all candidates are required to furnish during the sport season will be announced by the coach. It would be wise for candidates to wait until the final squad assignments are made before purchasing athletic shoes. Since the number of squad assignments for any team is limited, it is not possible for all students who go out for athletics to make the team. Assignments to a team will be made on the basis of ability, desire, spirit and attitude shown at practice.

Athletic Eligibility - To be eligible for athletic participation a student must meet the following:

1. Have passed and earned a 2.0 grade point average in the equivalent of 20 semester credits (any combination of number of subjects) of new work the preceding quarter. (Five of these credits may be earned at SCROC).
2. Have not received more than one "U" in citizenship in all classes taken during the preceding quarter.
3. Be enrolled in a minimum of five classes at all times.

Athletic Awards - Athletes are asked to purchase an ASB card to help defray the cost of officials, doctors, and entry fees for the sport as well as other co-curricular events. An ASB card covers the cost of awards, entitles you to attend other athletic events without charge and entitles you to reduced prices for most of the Fine Arts activities. Check with the Student Activities office for current costs of ASB and annuals. When paying by check, please identify with student's **full name and grade** on the check made payable to **West High School ASB**. An ASB card is required for an athlete to receive an athletic award, letter or trophy.

Football Information - TBD

Parent meeting (required)

Kick Off Banquet

Pictures for football players
and pep squad members

TBA (Tentatively scheduled for September 1)

Other Fall Sports -

Cross Country
Volleyball (girls)
Tennis

See the Cross Country info on webpage
See the Girls' Volleyball info on webpage
See the Girls' Tennis info on webpage

Outside Teams - During individual's season of sport, **a member of a high school athletic team may not, during his/her season of sport, compete for an outside team in that same sport.**

To be a member of a West High athletic team is a privilege and an honor. We expect all players to conduct themselves in a manner that will make fellow players, parents, coaches, and former players proud of them. Specifically, we do not want West players to criticize teammates or officials, nor to commit deliberate fouls. We expect West players to play with "class" and "character."

With your interest and support, we will continue to provide the best athletic program possible. If you have any questions, please call the Athletic Director at 533-4299 ext. 7605.